(3) Long-term loan assistance to the extent of cost of planting and maintenance upto maturity from Banks operating under NABABD's programme. Three per cent interest on such loans availed by the growers owning upto 5 hectares of rubber in traditional areas and to all growers in non-traditional areas being paid by the Board.

**Export of Mangoes**

1919. DR. ABRAR AHMED;
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

Will the Miinster of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a heavy de mand of Indian mangoes in foreign countries;

(b) if so, the quantity and types of mangoes exported during the last three years, yearwise;

(c) the foreign exchange earned thereon;

(d) the details of mangoes likely to be exported during the current year indicating the names of the countries; and

(e) whether Government propose to expulore new markets for its export and if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) to (e) Alphanso, Neelam, Totapuri, Chausa etc. are the varieties of mangos in great demand abroad. Details of exports of Indian mangoes duriag the last three years are as under:—

| Year | (MTs) Quantity | (Rs lakh) Value |
|---|---|---|
| 1989-90** | 12008 | 1675 |
| 1990-91* | 19380 | 3122 |
| 1991-92** | 25000 | 3600 |

Source; **APEDA . *DGCIS

During the current year these mangoes are likely to be exported to UAE, S. Arabia, UK, Bahrain, Qatar, France, Netherlands Germany etc. Exploring new markets for export* is a continuous process. Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) endeavours to explore new markets through participation in International Trade Fairs Organisation of buyer-seller meets etc.

**Issuance of EXIM Scrips on. Bogus Realisation Certificates**

1920. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of COM MERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Chief Controller of Imports and Exports had recently, come across a number of cases where EXIM Scrips worth crores of rupees were issued on bogus realisation certificates;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof stating the parties involved; and

(c) what action has been taken by Government in the matter?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED); (a) to (c) Some cases have been detected where EXIM scrips were issued based on documents subsequently found to be forged. Three Exim scrips were sinpended/cancelled. The matter has been reported to the police for appropriate action. Further Exim Scrip scheme has since been discontinued .

**Tea Production at Kangra, Himachal Pradesh**

1921. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHAR MA: Will the Minister of COMMER CE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that production of tea in Kangra, Himachal Pradesh is low as compared to other parts of the country;